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Distance Learning

DISTANCE LEARNING COURSE (ANCOC)(BNCOC) 6-8-C42/C40 (DL)

- **Course Length: 12 weeks**
- **Course Hours: 82.5 hrs**
- **Target Audience: Active Army/Army Reserve/National Guard DA selected NCO for promotion to Sergeant First Class**

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Distance Learning is a computer based learning tool employed by the NCO Academy. It allows the soldier to remain at home station for an additional week, minimizing time away from duty and family

- **Twelve week course**
- **LESSONS**
- **Career Management Field oriented**
- **To be completed if possible prior to attending Resident Phase of ANCOC/BNCOC**
- **Graduation Requirement**

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Benefits of DL

- **Decrease TDY Cost: $2.6 million dollars per year**
- **Acquire the leader, technical, and tactical skills needed to lead platoon size units for peace, wartime missions and contingencies.**
- **Reduce resident training: 82.5 hours done at home station.**
- **82.5 hrs x 8 classes = 660 hrs/year**

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DL Initiatives

Leverage learning platforms to develop an Experiential Learning System which provides the ability to learn through active, as opposed to passive systems.

Harness talent and ideas through DL XXI, entertainment and gaming development industries and leading edge research on simulation technologies such as AI, Graphics and Sound.

Create Distance Learning Initiative under new revision for NCOES, Intermediate Leadership Course (ILC).

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DL Initiatives

- Full spectrum warrior
- Full spectrum command
- FCS
- Digital Warrior
- ABCS
- WARSIM
- ONESAF

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ARMY EDUCATIONAL SYSTEMS

Army Core Competencies

- **Train and Equip Soldiers and Grow Leaders**
- **Provide Relevant and Ready Land Power Capability to the Combatant Commander and the Joint Team**

CURRENT

- **Add Warrior Ethos, OIF/OEF lessons learned, and digitization**
- **Review course lengths, timing, and common core for relevancy**
- **Eliminate redundant instruction**

FUTURE

- **Integrate tactical and technical skills of the future force**
- **Share and integrate opportunities**
- **Enhance non-resident learning**
- **Align with force stabilization and modularity**

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What OIF and OEF Veterans Said

Officers and NCOs:

- **Feel current training is sound, continuously evaluate to remain current and relative.**
- **Share a desire to conduct more practical exercises using scenarios that reflect full spectrum operations in the contemporary operational environment – ROE, Urban Operations, Information Operations..**
- **Want more training that stresses leadership and decision making skills.**
- **Want to train on the same equipment they will be expected to master and use in the field.**

Additional findings since 2 Apr: Want more training on:

- **Army digital systems, principally – FBCB2, MCS,TF Soldier**
- **Core Warrior Tasks and Drills**
- **Captains said TRADOC Common Core needs work – same as NCOs.**

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IAT DISTRIBUTED LEARNING COLLABORATION

1st CAVALRY → **Operational Experiences**

CO MEDA LAB → **Simulation**

NCO Academy → ***Institutional Learning***

USAF → **Simulation**

CTSF → **Simulation: DIGITAL WARRIOR**

BCTC → **Simulation**

University XXI → **Simulation w/ Training Aids Concepts in DLE**

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ISSUES

- **Legacy LMS**
- **Plug-ins**
- **Firewall**
- **Bandwidth**

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CHANGES

- **Delete CMF Test #1 (BNCOC)**
- **Deleting all DL questions from resident testing.**
- **Receive Certificate of Completion (New Distance Learning Platform)**
- **Soldiers must report to TASS BNs with Progress Report Sheet (Proof of DL Completion)**

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CHANGES (CONT)

- **Continue to Collaborate with DOD, University XXI, and TRADOC**
- **Product support management plan in existence**
- **Annual funding source provided for redesign and SCORM Conformance**

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QUESTIONS

- **DEMO (Full Spectrum Warrior)**
- **DEMO (Digital Warrior)**